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Signature

May 12, 2009

Date

William Heriot

Type or printed name

Registration Number, If applicable

STATEMENT

(in the space below, please provide the showing of unavoidable delay recited in paragraph 8 above.)

On February 6, 2007 the assignee (Optime Therapeutics) filed for bankruptcy in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California (BK case # 07-10129) see attached. All assets were frozen by the court and were not under mu control or accessable by me. I filed a motion in the Bankruptcy court to enable me to have the court imposed stay lifted so that I could maintain the patents. (see attached Motion for RElief From Stay filed Februart 27, 2009.) The Motiion was heard on March 26, 2009 (see attached) and an Order was signed on March 31, 2009 (see attached) Only then was I able to get access to the files and attend to the patents. I recieved a notice of the patent expiration in April 2009. I paid the maintence fees in May 2009, but the patents were not reinstated because I didn't include the surcharge. I am now sending in the surcharge.

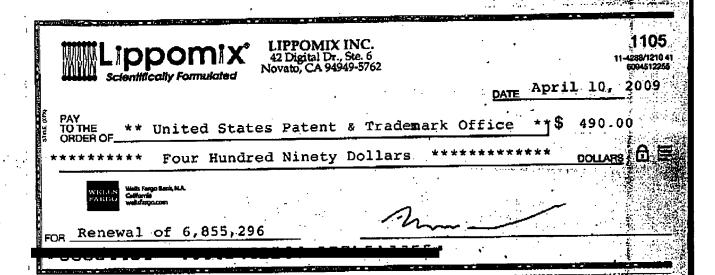
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MAY 2 9 2009 FORM B9F (Chapter 11 Corporation/Partnership Asset Case) (10/05) Case Number 07-10129 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT Northern District of California (Santa Rosa) Notice of Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Case, Meeting of Creditors, & Deadlines A chapter 11 bankruptcy case concerning the debtor Corporation listed below was filed on 2/6/07. You may be a creditor of the debtor. This notice lists important deadlines. You may want to consult an attorney to protect your rights. All documents filed in the case may be inspected at the bankruptcy clerk's office at the address listed below. NOTE: The staff of the bankruptey clerk's office cannot give legal advice See Reverse Side For Important Explanations Debtor(s) (name(s) used by the debtor(s) in the last 8 years, including married, maiden, trade, and address): Optime Therapeutics DE, Inc. fka Optime Therapeuties, Inc. P.O. Box 6279 San Rafael, CA 94903 Taxpayer ID/Employer ID/Other Nos.: 94-3302126 Case Number: 07-10129 Attorney for Debtor(s) (name and address): Craig Sluppi Law Offices of Stuppi and Stuppi 1630 N Main St. #332 Walnut Creck, CA 94596 Telephone number: (415) 786-4465 **Meeting of Creditors** Time: 01:30 PM Date: March 2, 2007 Location: Office of the U.S. Trustee, 777 Sonoma Ave. #116, Santa Rosa, CA 95404 Deadlines to File a Proof of Claim Proof of claim must be received by the bankruptcy clerk's office by the following deadline: For all creditors (except a governmental unit): 5/31/07 For a governmental unit: Must file before 180 days after the date relief was entered. Foreign Creditors
A creditor to whom this notice is sent at a foreign address should read the information under "Claims" on the reverse side. <u>Deadline to File a Complaint to Determine Dischargeability of Certain Debts:</u> Creditors May Not Take Certain Actions: In most instances, the filing of the bankruptcy case automatically stays certain collection and other actions against the debter and the

debtor's property. Under certain circumstances, the stay may be limited to 30 days or not exist at all, although the debtor can request the court to extend or impose a stay. If you attempt to collect a debt or take other action in violation of the Bankruptey Code, you may be penalized. Consult a lawyer to determine your rights in this case.

Address of the Bankruptcy Clerk's Office:	For the Court:
	Clerk of the Bankruptey Court:
Telephone number: 707-525-8539	Gloria L. Franklin
Hours Open: Monday - Priday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM	Date: 2/7/07

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                                       Case No.
                                                 07-10129
     IN RE:
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                                       Chapter 11
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     OPTIME THERAPEUTICS DE, INC.,
                                       MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM STAY
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                                       DECLARATION OF WILLIAM HERIOT;
                                       POINTS AND AUTHORITIES
          DEBTOR
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                                              March 12, 2009
                                       Date:
                                       Time:
                                               9:00 a.m.
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                                       Place: 99 South E St.
                                               Santa Rosa; CA
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         TO: HONORABLE ALAN JAROSLOVSKY, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:
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         William Heriot, secured creditor herein, by and through counsel,
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    hereby moves the above entitled Court for an Order for Relief from
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    Stay to complete a Sheriff Sale on certain intellectual property
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    subject to pre-petition levy and execution.
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         The Motion is made on the grounds that the Debtor does not have
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    any equity in the property (patent applications) and that such
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    property is at risk due to procedural requirements of the U.S. Patent
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             Despite an Adequate Protection Order, Debtor has failed to
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   maintain the patent applications and same are in danger of being lost
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   based upon procedural requirements.
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         Said Motion is based hereon, the appended Declaration of William
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   Heriot, and the appended Points and Authorities.
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2/27/09 Dated:

DAVID N. CHANDLER, p.c.

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/s/ Davi<u>d N. Chandler</u> DAVID N. CHANDLER,

Attorney for William Heriot

DECLARATION OF WILLIAM HERIOT

- I, William Heriot, declare and say:
- That if called as a witness, I am competent to testify to the within matters from my own knowledge.
- That I am a creditor of the Debtor herein and have perfected an execution lien pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 697.710 in certain intellectual property rights of the Debtor, i.e., patent applications.
- the order to maintain the applications active, applications must be extended prior to expiration dates. The applications have different expiration dates, but each must be acted upon by the applicant prior to such dates or they will lapse.
- Extension of the patent applications requires certain legal work by a qualified patent attorney to insure that they do not lapse.
- The patent applications may have some value. The value has been overstated by the Debtor in the Schedules on file with the Court. In order for the applications to retain any value, they must be timely prosecuted.
- Debtor stipulated to an Adequate Protection Order whereby Debtor was required to maintain the Applications active and to Debtor has failed to provide periodic reports to confirm same. comply with the Order and the Trustee has not complied. from the documentation available to me that the Applications are in

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William Heriot

<u>/s/ William Heriot</u>

Absent extension of the patent applications, the security

Executed under penalty of perjury this 25th day of February, 2009

On request of a party in interest, and after notice and hearing, the Court shall grant relief if the Debtor does not have any equity in such property or such property is not necessary for effective reorganization. 11 U.S.C. Section 362(d).

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

jeopardy of being rejected based upon failure to prosecute them.

interest in the applications is not adequately protected.

- The Court may condition the stay upon adequate protection 2. for cause. 11 U.S.C. Section 362(d(1).
- The Court may provide adequate protection by ordering other 3. relief which will result in the realization of the indubitable equivalent of the moving party's interest in the property. 11 U.S.C. Section 361(3). Such protection may be afforded by requiring cash payments. Section 361(1).
- The obvious decline in the value of the intellectual property resulting from the failure of the Debtor and the Trustee to prosecute the application extensions renders the property valueless. If the property is to retain any value, the applications must be timely prosecuted.
- The process requires investment of skilled legal services which must be incurred and paid for by the estate to preserve the asset base and to provide a basis for reorganization.

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the Trustee has failed to abandon,
               Despite request,
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    stipulate to relief, or comply with the Adequate Protection Order.
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                                          Respectfully submitted,
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                                          DAVID N. CHANDLER, p.c.
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    Dated:
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                                          By: /s/ David N. Chandler
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         The above captioned matter having come on for hearing befor
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    the above entitled Court on March 26, 2009 on the Motion c
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    William Heriot for an Order for Relief from Stay, David N
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    Chandler appearing for the moving party and such other appearance
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    having been made as shown in the record of the Court, and caus
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    appearing,
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         IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:
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    U.S.C. Section 362(a) and may forthwith complete a Sheriff Sal
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    related to patent applications and intellectual property subjec
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    to pre-petition levy and execution.
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        2.
              The stay as provided in FRBP Rule 4001(a) is waived.
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   Dated:
           March 31, 2009
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                                       Alan
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                                       U.S.
                                            Bankruptcy Judge
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